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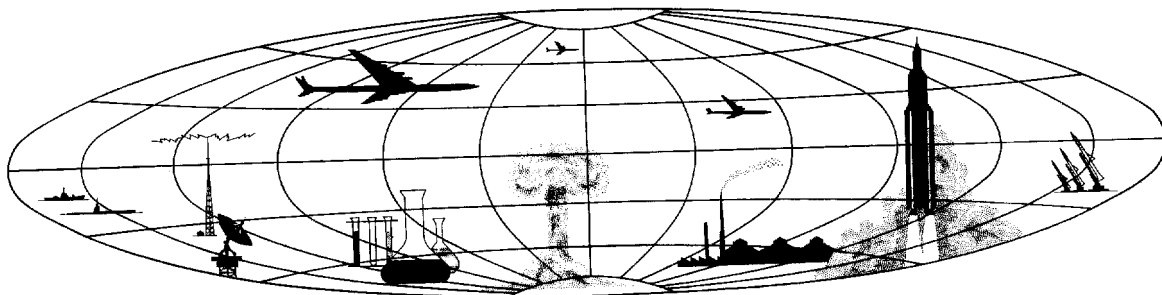


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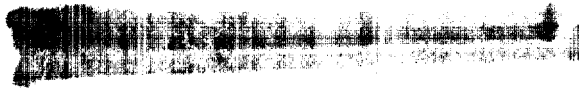
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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

25X1A THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY  
ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM [REDACTED] MISSIONS  
2622-2626, DATED 26 OCTOBER 1962 --

-MISSILES-

GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1 2257N 08239W

25X1 CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES AT THIS SITE.  
25X1 7 TRUCKS ARE DUMPING AGGREGATE FOR A BASE OF ANOTHER  
MISSILE READY BUILDING. THE BLAST WALLS FOR  
PROTECTING THE PROBABLE MISSILE CHECKOUT EQUIPMENT  
ARE BEING EARTH REVETTED. A MICROWAVE TOWER WITH 2  
DISHES HAS BEEN LOCATED ONE STATUTE MILE EAST OF THE  
LAUNCH AREA. THE AZIMUTH FOR ONE DISH IS  
25X1 APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED] POINTING IN THE GENERAL  
DIRECTION OF THE BAUTA COMMUNICATIONS STATION, AND  
25X1 THE AZIMUTH FOR THE OTHER DISH IS APPROXIMATELY  
[REDACTED] OR IN THE GENERAL DIRECTION OF THE SAN  
CRISTOBAL MRBM SITES. A NUMBER OF TRUCKS AND  
VEHICLES, POSSIBLY MISSILE ASSOCIATED, HAVE BEEN  
25X1D IDENTIFIED FOR THE FIRST TIME TO THE SOUTH OF THE  
25X1D SITE. THE VEHICLES WERE NOT IN THIS AREA [REDACTED]  
25X1D [REDACTED] HOWEVER, SOME OF THE EQUIPMENT WAS PRESENT  
[REDACTED]  
25X1D [REDACTED]

GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2 2257N 08236W

25X1D CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES AT THIS SITE. LARGE CONCRETE  
CONDUIT SEGMENTS HAVE BEEN PLACED IN THE TRENCHES  
LEADING TO ONE OF THE LAUNCH PADS. CONSTRUCTION  
CONTINUES ON THE CONCRETE BLOCK CONTROL BUILDINGS.  
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SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1 2243N 08001W

CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES. FOUR COVERED ERECTORS ARE VISIBLE, ONE IN POSITION, TWO PROBABLY IN POSITION AND ONE AT THE LAUNCH SITE BUT NOT IN POSITION. FOURTH LAUNCH SITE IS VISIBLE BUT NO ERECTOR IS PRESENT. FIVE MISSILE-READY TENTS ARE PRESENT AND BASES FOR 3 MORE ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION. OF 5 PREVIOUSLY NOTED COVERED MISSILE TRAILERS, 4 HAVE BEEN MOVED. ONE TRAILER AND ONE POSSIBLE TRAILER ARE PARKED ON ACCESS ROADS TO 2 OF THE POSITIONS WITH ONE OF THE TRAILERS BACKED UP TO AN ERECTOR. THE PREVIOUSLY NOTED FIFTH MISSILE TRAILER IS NOT VISIBLE. ONE FUEL AND 2 OXIDIZER TRAILERS ARE VISIBLE AT ONE LAUNCH POSITION, ONE POSSIBLE FUEL AND 2 POSSIBLE OXIDIZER TRAILERS ARE AT A SECOND, ONE OXIDIZER TRAILER IS AT THE THIRD AND ONE OXIDIZER, ONE POSSIBLE OXIDIZER AND ONE POSSIBLE FUEL TRAILER ARE VISIBLE AT THE FOURTH POSITION.

TENT AREA SHOWS NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE

NUMEROUS VEHICLES AND PIECES OF EQUIPMENT ARE IN THE MOTOR POOL AREA. ONLY 2 OF THE ORIGINAL 16 OXIDIZERS AND ONE OF THE ORIGINAL 8 FUEL TRAILERS ARE STILL VISIBLE IN THE MOTOR POOL AREA.

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2 2239N 07951W

CONSTRUCTION AT THE SITE CONTINUES. ARCHES ARE BEING TRUCKED IN AND A FOUNDATION AT THE NW END OF THE COMPLEX IS PROBABLY FOR AN ARCHED-ROOF BUILDING. ONE MORE MISSILE SHELTER TENT IS IDENTIFIED AT THE NW END OF THE COMPLEX, MAKING A TOTAL OF 6 FOR THE ENTIRE COMPLEX.

ONE LESS CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRAILER IS OBSERVED. IT PROBABLY HAS BEEN MOVED INTO A MISSILE SHELTER TENT. 2 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRAILERS ARE STILL OBSERVED IN THE OPEN.

ONLY 9 OXIDIZER TRAILERS CAN BE IDENTIFIED. POOR

7 HAVE BEEN MOVED OUT OF THE IMMEDIATE AREA. CAMOUFLAGE COVER HAS BEEN EXTENDED OVER THE 2 PADS

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AT THE SW END.  
TWO THEODOLITE STANDS ARE VISIBLE. TWO PREVIOUSLY  
REPORTED ARE NOT OBSERVED.  
ONLY ONE LAUNCHER RING CAN BE SEEN. TWO OF THE  
OTHER ERECTORS ARE HIDDEN BY CANVAS HUNG FROM  
POLES. THE OTHER IS ON AN OBLIQUE AND IS TOO  
INDISTINCT FOR A DETERMINATION.

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SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 1 2240N 08317W

CONSIDERABLE MOVEMENT OF MISSILE-ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT  
IS NOTED THROUGHOUT THE SITE AREA. CONSTRUCTION OF  
MORE PERMANENT PERSONNEL ACCOMMODATIONS CONTINUES,  
AND FURTHER ACTION TO COVER AND CAMOUFLAGE EQUIPMENT  
IS EVIDENT.

FOUR CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRAILERS ARE VISIBLE.  
THREE OF THE TRAILERS HAVE BEEN DISPERSED TO NEW  
LOCATIONS WITHIN THE SITE.

AT LEAST 10 OF THE OXIDIZER TRAILERS AND ALL OF THE  
FUEL TRAILERS HAVE BEEN MOVED FROM THEIR ORIGINAL  
GROUP-PARKED LOCATION. ONE FUEL TRAILER IS PARKED IN  
A WOODED AREA NEAR AN ERECTOR. TWO OF THE TRAILERS  
REMAIN UNCOVERED AT THEIR ORIGINAL LOCATION. HEAVY  
NETTING IS ATTACHED IN FRONT OF A WOODED AREA BEHIND  
THE PARKING SPACE PREVIOUSLY OCCUPIED BY THE FUEL  
TRAILERS, AND MAY NOW CONCEAL THEM. TWO VANS HAVE  
BEEN MOVED FROM ONE OF THE GROUPS OF 5 NEAR AN  
ERECTOR.

PERSONNEL TRENCHES ARE BEING PREPARED WITHIN THE  
OPERATIONAL AREA, ALONG THE NORTHEAST PERIPHERY OF THE  
SITE, AND WITHIN THE TENT AREA.

CABLES ARE VISIBLE EXTENDING FROM TWO OF THE MISSILE  
SHELTER TENTS TO GENERATORS AND OTHER ASSOCIATED  
EQUIPMENT.

SURFACING CONTINUES ON ONE OF THE ERECTOR POSITIONS  
AND ITS ADJOINING MISSILE-TRAILER APRON.

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A POWER OR TELEPHONE LINE ENTERS THE SITE FROM THE  
NORTHEAST.  
THE SUPPORT AREA NEAR THE SITE IS NOT COVERED BY THIS  
MISSION.

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SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 2 2241N 08315W

THREE ERECTORS AND LAUNCH STANDS ARE IN POSITION. CABLING LEADS TO CONTROL EQUIPMENT AT ALL 3 POSITIONS. THE FOURTH LAUNCH POSITION IS NOT VISIBLE. OTHER FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT NOTED INCLUDE 4 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRAILERS, 4 MISSILE-READY TENTS, 5 FUEL TRAILERS, ONE POSSIBLE FUEL TRAILER, AND ONE OXIDIZER TRAILER. CABLES LEAD FROM ONE OF THE READY TENTS TO SOME CANVAS-COVERED EQUIPMENT IN A WOODED AREA.

THE SECURITY FENCE IS PROBABLY COMPLETED. A SECOND FENCE IS BEING ERECTED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE SITE. FOXHOLES AND PROBABLE COMMAND BUNKERS HAVE BEEN PREPARED ALONG THE SOUTH AND WEST EDGES OF THE SITE. NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGES NOTED IN THE TENT AREA.

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SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 3 2242N 08308W

CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY CONTINUES. THE THREE LAUNCH POINTS COVERED HAVE ERECTORS IN POSITION. A HARD SURFACE IS BEING PREPARED FROM ONE MISSILE READY TENT TO A LAUNCH POINT AND TO PARKING AREA FOR MISSILE TRANSPORTER. VANS AND OTHER SUPPORT EQUIPMENT ARE NEAR LAUNCH POINTS, AND CABLE TROUGHS ARE EVIDENT. TRUCKS CARRYING CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL ARE IN THE SUPPORT AREA.

CONSTRUCTION IS PROCEEDING ON THE ARCH-ROOFED BUILDING. INCOMPLETE COVERAGE OF SITE ON OBLIQUE AND VERTICAL PHOTOGRAPHY.

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SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 4 2246N 08258W

CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES. FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT OBSERVED INCLUDE ONE PROBABLE LAUNCH STAND IN POSITION WITHOUT ERECTOR. AT LEAST 2 ERECTORS APPEAR TO BE IN POSITION AT TWO OTHER LAUNCH POINTS, 5 MISSILE READY TENTS AND 3 PROBABLE OXIDIZER TRAILERS NEAR LAUNCH POSITIONS. FOUNDATIONS FOR 4 BUILDINGS NOTED IN THE SUPPORT AREA. INCOMPLETE COVERAGE OF THE SITE ON OBLIQUE

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BANES CRUISE MISSILE SITE 2058N 07538W

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NO MAJOR CHANGES IN FACILITIES OR EQUIPMENT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ONLY SEVEN CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE  
TRANSPORTERS ARE IDENTIFIED COMPARED WITH PREVIOUSLY  
REPORTED EIGHT. REVETMENTS BETWEEN LAUNCH POSITIONS  
ARE MISSILE HOLD REVETMENTS. AN UNCOVERED PORTION OF  
ONE LAUNCHER INDICATES THAT THE LAUNCH RAIL IS AN  
INCLINED, TROUGH-LIKE STRUCTURE MOUNTED ON TWO AXLES  
WITH FOUR WHEELS FORE AND AFT AND OUTRIGGERS AT THE  
MIDDLE. THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WHIFF-TYPE RADARS ARE  
TWO ANTENNAS, UNIDENTIFIED PARABOLIC SECTIONS  
MEASURING ABOUT [REDACTED] MOUNTED NEAR THE ENDS OF  
[REDACTED] VANS. THE REVETTED ITEM JUST NORTH OF THE  
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED POSSIBLE POWER-GENERATOR VAN MAY  
BE A PARABOLIC DISH, HEAVILY CAMOUFLAGED AND CANVAS  
COVERED. THE ITEM IS ATOP A TOWER MOUNTED ON A TRUCK  
BED. THE PREVIOUSLY NOTED SCARRING ALONG THE WEST  
FENCE LINE IS A DRIVE-THROUGH BUILDING UNDER  
CONSTRUCTION. IT MEASURES 15 X 30 FT AND WOULD PERMIT  
EXPLOSIVE STORAGE.

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CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N 07929W

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EQUIPMENT INCLUDES SIX MISSILES ON LAUNCHERS AND FIVE  
TRANSPORTERS. SPOON REST RADAR ALSO NOTED. ONE  
UNCOVERED GUIDELINE MISSILE IS VISIBLE AT THE SITE.  
NO OTHER APPARENT CHANGES [REDACTED]

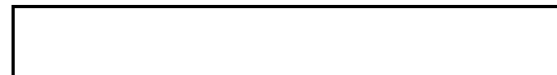
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MARIEL SAM SITE 2300N 08249W

EQUIPMENT INCLUDES -- 6 CANVAS-COVERED, REVETTED  
LAUNCH POSITIONS, CANVAS-COVERED FRUIT SET RADAR WITH  
6 ASSOCIATED VANS, 3 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE  
TRANSPORTERS AND PROBABLE SPOON REST RADAR.  
OBLIQUITY AND PHOTO QUALITY PRECLUDE FURTHER DETAIL.

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SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE 2251N 08005W

25X1D AT LEAST 5 MISSILES ON LAUNCHERS NOTED. NO OTHER  
VISIBLE CHANGES [REDACTED] COVERAGE  
INCOMPLETE.

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SANTA LUCIA ALTERNATE SAM SITE 2243N 08349W

POOR QUALITY AND OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE INTERPRETATION.

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SENADO SAM SITE 2136N 07733W

SITE IS OPERATIONAL WITH 6 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILES  
ON LAUNCHERS.  
SITE CONTAINS FRUIT SET RADAR AND 6 VANS IN REVETTED  
GUIDANCE AREA, 10 MISSILES ON TRAILERS WITH 9 OF  
THE MISSILES CANVAS COVERED AND 1 UNCOVERED, 9 TRUCKS,  
8 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, AND 6 LARGE TENTS.

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CAMPO FLORIDA POSS CRUISE MISSILE SITE 2306N 08211W

STILL LOCATED AT THE SITE ARE ONE PROBABLE LAUNCHER  
WITH LARGE CANVAS COVERING AT WESTERN PORTION OF SITE  
AND 6 TRAILER VANS AT EXTREME EASTERN PORTION. SITE  
CONTAINS 3 PROBABLE TENTS - ONE AT EASTERN PORTION, 2  
AT WESTERN PORTION. OTHER EQUIPMENT PREVIOUSLY  
REPORTED HAS BEEN DISPLACED AND COULD NOT BE LOCATED  
WITHIN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF THE SITE.

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--AIRFIELDS--

JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

AIRCRAFT -- APPROXIMATELY 22 TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT

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INCLUDING 3 CONSTELLATION, APPROXIMATELY 8 CRATE AND APPROXIMATELY 7 CAB/C-46/C-47. OTHERS ARE UNIDENTIFIED BECAUSE OF OBLIQUITY.

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MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

AIRCRAFT -- NONE.  
NO CHANGE IN FACILITIES OR CONSTRUCTION AT SW END OF RUNWAY. RUNWAY SERVICEABLE.

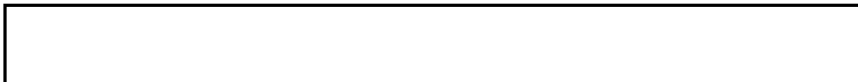
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PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

AIRCRAFT -- AT LEAST 27 HOUND, AT LEAST 17 HARE, AND ONE C-47.  
DEFENSES AND EQUIPMENT INCLUDE -- ONE OCCUPIED 3-GUN AAA POSITION (MANNED), JUST WEST OF OPERATIONS BUILDING. 13 LARGE TENTS ON PARKING APRON IN FRONT OF OPERATIONS BUILDING, AND 37 LARGE SHIPPING CRATES. COVERAGE INCOMPLETE.

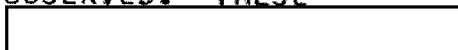
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SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD 2206N 08409W

AIRCRAFT -- 3 BEAGLE ASSEMBLED, PROBABLY WITHOUT ENGINES. ONE PARTIALLY ASSEMBLED BEAGLE (TAIL ASSEMBLY IS COMPLETE AND ONE WING LIES ON GROUND NEARBY). AT LEAST 20 CRATES ARE OBSERVED. THESE HAVE BEEN DISPERSED ALONG TAXIWAY  
AT LEAST 2 TAIL SECTIONS ARE AMONG CRATES ON EDGE OF RUNWAY.  
SIX ADDITIONAL POL TANKS ARE READY FOR INSTALLATION. A CONVOY OF AT LEAST 35 TRUCKS -- 27 OF WHICH ARE TOWING TWIN-MOUNT 30 MM AAA -- IS OBSERVED ON MAIN ENTRANCE ROAD BEHIND OPERATIONS AREA.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES

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-PORTS-

MARIEL NAVAL PORT 2301N 08245W

VESSELS -- 7 KOMAR-CLASS PGMG NORTH OF AIRFIELD  
(2 AT ANCHOR), ONE PT BOAT, 4 PATROL CRAFT, ONE  
KRONSTADT-CLASS [REDACTED] ONE ORE OR GRAIN  
BARGE, ONE PF UNDERWAY AND ONE FREIGHTER.  
INCOMPLETE COVERAGE.

-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

MANAGUA MILITARY INSTALLATION 2258N 08217W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITY [REDACTED]  
THREE-GUN OCCUPIED LIGHT AA SITE LOCATED ON HILLTOP  
SOUTH OF CAMP.  
COVERAGE INCOMPLETE.

MANAGUA MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE 2258N 08218W

NO APPARENT CHANGE [REDACTED]  
SINGLE FENCE AROUND SITE IS SUPPORTED BY Y-SHAPED  
POSTS. VINES HAVE GROWN ON FENCE IN SOME SECTIONS.

MARIEL, MILITARY HEADQUARTERS AREA 2301N 08450W

VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT -- 35 TRUCKS, 13 VANS, 3 PRIME  
MOVERS, SOME UNIDENTIFIED CANVAS-COVERED EQUIPMENT,

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10 LARGE TENTS AND 5 SMALL TENTS.  
VESSELS -- 3 PT BOATS AND 2 SMALL PATROL CRAFT  
BERTHED IN SMALL STREAM ON WEST SIDE OF AREA.

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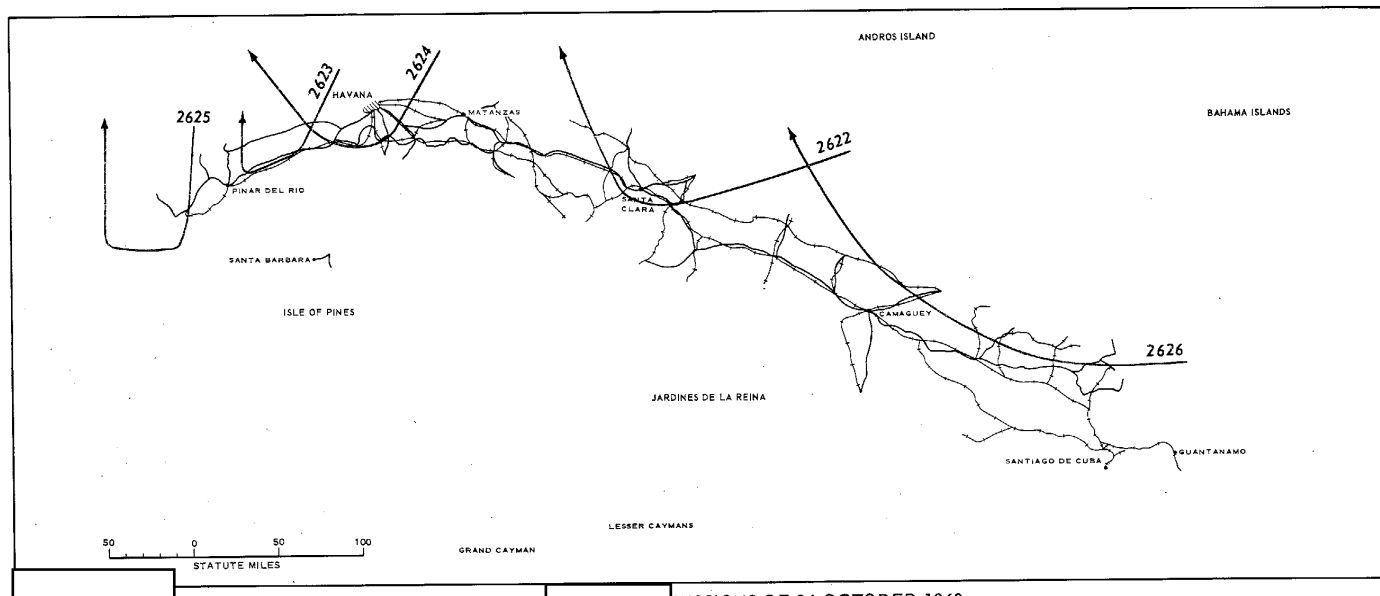
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